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- (a) (1) The Department shall review applications to ensure that the eligibility criteria for the Program are met.
- (2) The Department shall establish procedures to account for eligible schools in counties that participate in the United States Department of Agriculture community eligibility provision.
- (b) If sufficient funds are not available to fund all qualifying applications, the Department shall prioritize awarding grants to applicants with the highest concentration of students living in poverty in kindergarten through third grade, and ensure geographic diversity among the grantees.

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